

been carefully removed from the walls, Mr. Bursum stated the purpose of the meeting. He said that in view of the fact that certain congressmen headed by Congressman Tawney had recently visited Arizona and had there declared against joint statehood, that it seemed the right time for the republicans of New Mexico to take some action and make some expression of their views. He then instructed Chairman Safford to read the official call, which was in the form of the following personal letter from the chairman:

"Owing to the sentiments that were expressed by several members of the congressional party headed by Hon. James G. Tawney, of Minnesota, as well as reports of the changing condition of the sentiment at Washington relative to the statehood situation, it has been deemed advisable to call a special meeting of the republican central committee of the territory to be held at republican headquarters in Santa Fe at 2 o'clock p. m., November 10, 1905.

"It is of especial importance that every member of the central committee and of its executive committee be present at this meeting, in order that the subject matter may be discussed fully and that such expressions and resolutions may be entered of record as the committee shall decide best meets the exigencies of the situation.

"Trusting that you will appreciate the importance of the occasion and make every effort to be present, or if that is not possible, advise me upon the enclosed postal card, as to your plans in the matter, stating at the same time, the name of the person to whom you will give your proxy.

"I am, yours truly,

H. O. BURSUM,

Secretary Charles V. Safford then proceeded to call the roll. It was a very satisfactory roll call, for although it showed a quorum of both the central committee and the executive committee, it was not a very large representation. The chairman then announced that proxies would not be recognized unless they were held by members of the executive committee or by persons residing in the county from which they were issued. Thus, through non-recognition of proxies and failure to send them or representatives, the following counties were without representation:

Chaves, Eddy, Luna, Otero, Roosevelt, Mora, Sierra, Torrance, Sandoval and Quay.

There was but one vote from McKinley county. It was that of Gray Page, and it was with the twenty-eight Mr. Page being one of the two who was not an officeholder. He is generally acknowledged to be the only man in McKinley county who is against joint statehood, as against maintaining a territory.

There was but one vote from Lincoln county, that of the attorney general, the other committee men being an advocate of jointure.

Yet the committee's resolution solemnly declared that it declared for the sentiments of the territory of New Mexico and for the republican party thereof.

The roll call finished, Chairman Bursum called for remarks, and there being no remarks, he called for remarks from the members on statehood. There being still no remarks, he called on General Pritchard, who arose and presented the resolution, explaining carefully that he did it to get the matter before the house.

Speaking for the Bernallillo county delegation, Frank A. Hubbell promptly opposed the resolution and in his opinion that when the resolution presented to speak for the republicans of New Mexico, it was taking false grounds; that it did not speak for the republican party or the people of the territory. He said he was ready to show ninety per cent of the people of Bernallillo county in favor of joint statehood, and he believed there were plenty of other counties with the same majority to present. Mr. Hubbell went on at some length to explain to the committee that its work was not nearly as serious as it looked and that it could not possibly have a great deal of weight with congress.

Mr. Hubbell ended by declaring it wrong to compromise the territory by the passage of such a resolution. He thought the matter could be safely left to congress and then to the people of New Mexico and Arizona, who could vote yes or no. It has been rumored that one of the purposes for which the meeting yesterday was called was to remove Hubbell from the committee. If so, his speech was sufficiently long to take away the breath from the lead and no action of the kind was even whispered.

Chairman Bursum asked for expressions from other counties. He called directly on Mr. Martinez of Taos county. Mr. Martinez sat in his chair close against the wall and said nothing.

The silence was becoming tense. Hubbell was about to make another speech and the anti-joint statehood forces had not been heard from. They had the votes, but the worst of them was to talk. But General Pritchard came to the rescue again. He said he thought it his duty to defend the resolution and he made the speech as outlined above. In course of it he referred several times to former Delegate Rodey.

Mr. Rodey was standing in the door, and at the last of these references, asked to be allowed to reply in his own defense. General Pritchard agreed, but the rest of the committee could not see it that way.

Mr. Rodey quietly muzzled.

Chairman Bursum, without waiting for any more speeches which did not seem to be any too plentiful, started to call the vote on the resolution.

Hubbell then moved that Mr. Rodey be allowed to speak. Marcellino Ortiz, of Santa Fe, a young man who has taken a more or less prominent part in the town politics of the capital for several years past, was on his feet at that time in an objectionable manner. He declared once with an objectionable manner. He declared once with an objectionable manner. He declared once with an objectionable manner.

When the roll call came one member of the committee remarked that he was going to vote yes, although he didn't want to hear Mr. Rodey, but that he voted for him to show he wasn't afraid.

But the committee declined to allow Mr. Rodey to speak by a vote of 7 to 27.

Chairman Bursum then put the vote on the resolution, and it carried by the overwhelming majority of twenty-six, with the additional votes of Mr. Page of Gallup and Mr. T. J. Curran, of Farmington. The vote was 29 to 27.

After filling a few vacancies in the ranks of the committee from Luna

and Torrance counties, the committee adjourned, the fire in the smoky fireplace went out and the thirty-five members departed for their homes.

Things Didn't Happen.

That the committee was called to meet for other work than the weak-kneed anti-statehood resolution, seems to be unquestioned. Why the other things did not come off as scheduled is not explained. It seems, however, that the time was not considered "propitious."

It was proposed to pass through the committee an endorsement of Governor Otero for a third term. The committee deemed it wiser to make their endorsement personal. It has been persistently rumored that the committee was to take action on the resolution of Delegate Andrews. But the name of Mr. Andrews was not breathed during the session, and if some of the members looked with wondering eyes at the spot on the wall where his portrait had been, they said nothing about it.

If, as has been confidently asserted, action against the present members of the committee from Bernallillo county was contemplated, that, too, was not mentioned outside the council chamber of the men who were conducting the performance. The committee confined itself to statehood. It had very little to say about that, and when it had said it, most of the committee went home. Those who stayed were entertained at a smoker in the committee rooms in the evening. As a social gathering the meeting of the New Mexico republican committee was quite successful, although the attendance was not large.

As a meeting of political leaders it was a poorly conducted farce which will have about as much weight with the republican voters of New Mexico as a lace curtain in a sand storm.

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Mr. Colburn says the road will be built whether he gets a gas franchise or not, but the prospects that he will receive the franchise seem excellent. He has raised his price to a dollar and a half a thousand for a maximum charge for both heating and illuminating gas for the first five years, the contract to have the power to lower the rates in the ratio of the reduced price of coal that is expected to result from the development of coal areas controlled by Colburn near the city.

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locator was murdered by the Apaches, who once filled the country. All the location work has been done and eleven men are being worked on the eleven claims of the group. Five cuts of rich ore already have been taken out, ready for shipment. Cartright has gone to Los Angeles to consult his lawyers, taking with him a sackful of the precious ore. A large number of prospectors have gone to the scene of the find and many locations have been made already on nearby ground.

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St. Petersburg, Nov. 10.—The new era in Russia will be marked by a change from the Julian to the Gregorian calendar. The use of the old calendar, which is thirteen days behind that of the other civilized countries, has been the cause of infinite confusion. The academy of sciences has already submitted a plan to shorten the Russian February by thirteen days and to begin March 1 in the new style.

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Loans and Discounts \$1,191,230.39	Capital and Profits \$ 255,030.29
Bonds, Stocks, Real Estate 63,222.60	Circulation 200,000.00
Banking House and Furniture 35,500.00	Deposits 2,470,928.21
United States Bonds..... 323,000.00	
Cash and Exchange..... 1,340,015.50 1,663,015.50	
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